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E.O. 11652:NA TAGS:OCLR TBIO XL SUBJECT:RESEARCH CRUISE, EAGLET II

1. UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND (URI) HAS CHARTERED VESSEL EAGLET II FOR USE IN CARIBBEAN SEA RESEARCH CRUISE SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY 25 TO APRIL 6, 1974. SCIENTIFIC PARTY UNDER DIRECTION OF DR. HOWARD WINN WILL BE CONDUCTING MARINE BIO-ACOUSTIC STUDIES OF WHALES. WORK IS SIMILAR TO WINN'S WORK EARLY THIS YEAR ABOARD THE R/V SIR HORACE LAMB, FOR WHICH SEVERAL POSTS REQUESTED CLEARANCE. SCIENTISTS WILL BE OBSERVING AND RECORDING MIGRATING WHALES FOR POPULATION AND BEHAVIORAL STUDIES - CHIEFLY PILOT AND HUMPBACK WHALES.

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2. VESSEL ITINERARY:

LEG I, JAN 25 TO FEB 9, ST THOMAS VI TO MAYAGUEZ PR
LEG II, FEB 12 TO FEB 21, MAYAGUEZ TO ST MARTIN
LEG III, FEB 25 TO MARCH 6, ST MARTIN TO ST THOMAS
LEG IV, MARCH 9 TO MARCH 18, ST THOMAS TO GRAND TURK
LEG V, MARCH 21 TO MARCH 28, GRAND TURK TO JACKSONVILLE FLA
LEG VI, MARCH 31 TO APR 6, JACKSONVILLE TO NARRAGANSETT RI

3. EAGLET II IS PRIVATELY OWNED SPORT FISHING CRAFT, 65 FEET LENGTH, UNDER CHARTER TO URI. IN ADDITION TO CAPTAIN AND MATE, SCIENTIFIC PARTY APPROX 8 PEOPLE WILL BE ABOARD.

- 4. FOR LEGS I, II AND III AREAS OF INTEREST ARE US AND UK VIRGIN ISLANDS, PLUS NORTHERN END OF LEEWARD CHAIN. ISLANDS FOR WHICH CLEARANCE NEEDED: TORTOLA, ANEGADA, VIRGIN GORDA, ANGUILLA, SOMBRERO, ST MARTIN. FOR LEG IV VESSEL WILL BE VICINITY TURKS ISLAND AND SILVER AND NAVIDAD BANKS. CLEARANCE NEEDED FOR HAITI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC AND BAHAMAS ON LEG V.
- 5. ACTION: REQUEST PERMISSION FOR EAGLET II TO ENTER TERRITORIAL SEAS HOST COUNTRIES FOR ABOVE DATES IN COURSE OF PROGRAM OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH ON WHALES. ACTUAL VESSEL TRACK DEPENDANT ON MIGRATION PATTERNS OF WHALES AND IS NOT POSSIBLE TO GIVE ACCURATELY. RESULTS WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED STATES APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR AFTER COMPLETION OF CRUISE. KISSINGER

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